

14 May 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR: DDI Representatives
Office of Legislative Liaison

VIA: Director of Soviet Analysis

FROM: [REDACTED]
Defense Industries Division, SOVA

SUBJECT: Discussions at Government Accounting
Office (GAO)

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1. On 11 May 1984 I met with GAO representatives concerning a study on US-foreign weapons acquisition systems, which I recently completed under the DCI Exceptional Intelligence Analyst Program. GAO people present were Ken Coffey, Associate Director of the National Security Division; John Harper, Group Director; and analysts, Mark Forman and Bruce Fairdairn. The study reportedly is highly regarded at the GAO and the above people would like to benefit where possible from my experience in gathering data for a similar study they are planning.

2. Most questions concerned how I went about doing the study, to whom I talked, and what I thought were prospects for gathering more data, especially overseas. I responded that most of the information I gathered in the United States came from [REDACTED] I suggested military courses that are available in the area provide a good basis to start from. I also said that availability of overseas data depended on the country, and at the unclassified level that I did my work [REDACTED]

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3. To a question about CIA plans for publication of my study, I said there were none.

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